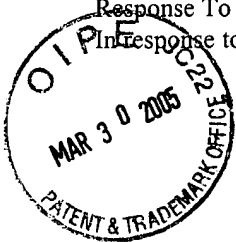


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2005, having a shortened statutory period
for response set to expire June 23, 2005, Applicant files this Response to Office Action. Submitted
herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer and a check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the fee pursuant to
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this Response is being timely filed and, as such, no extension of time fees are due. In the event that the check for the Terminal Disclaimer is missing, or additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required (or credit any overpayment) to Account No. 50-0897, Order No. 86821/AFM. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-23 are pending in the application. Claims 1-23 stand rejected. Applicant files this Response and respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims in light of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.